

CP Conference Called To Spur 'Worker' Drive

An extraordinary Communist Party conference of all New York party organizations was summoned yesterday by members of the state committee elected at the party's state convention last weekend.

The conference, an emergency gathering on the Daily Worker and Worker circulation and fund drives, was agreed to in a poll of available members.

It will be held next Wednesday, April 10, 8 p.m., at Yugoslav Hall.

The call summoning the conference said:

Because of the acute problems created by the lag in the Daily Worker and Worker circulation campaign in New York, the Communist Party state convention last weekend had planned to undertake to rally the membership of our party to its support.

Unfortunately, time did not permit the convention to handle the matter. Since time is running out on the campaign and our participation is decisive, we are now confronted with the need to call an extraordinary conference at the earliest possible moment if the papers are to be saved.

Their situation is such that we cannot wait for the election of a full state committee, or even for a formal session of the elected mem-

bers-at-large. Hence we have taken the liberty to call such a conference by polling the members immediately available.

The conference is to include all section and county leaders, press directors, members of state committee and resident members of the National Committee.

All other active members of the Party who wish to attend are welcome. But it is especially important that every section of the Party be properly represented.

It will take place this coming Wednesday, April 10, at 8 p.m. The place is Yugoslav Hall, 405 West 41st., Manhattan.

The current drive to save the Daily Worker and Worker—both by

securing 9,000 Worker subs and 2,300 for the Daily Worker, and by raising \$100,000 for the papers before the end of June—is of course of the greatest concern to every Communist and every adherent of the Left, as well as to all others concerned with a free press. It will undoubtedly receive priority in the program of the incoming state leadership.

It is especially necessary for us in New York to get into the campaign full-blast at once because this state, although decisive, is lagging far behind other states.

The conference will be a working conference, devoted to specific planning in order to get the drive

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both for subs and funds into high gear. It will also leave room for discussion on how to strengthen and improve the paper.

We would urge all sections to undertake now to contribute to the conference both by presenting ideas for carrying through the sub and fund drives, and by actually bringing subs and funds for the paper to the conference.

(Signed) George Blake Charney, Benjamin J. Davis, William Albertson, Abner W. Berry, Jesus Colon, Simon W. Gerson, Lillian Gates, Max Gordon, Charles Loman, Dorey Wilkerson, Morris Schappes, George Watt, Max Weiss and Will Weinstone.